

### **Doubling of Asansol-Damodar Railway Line**

2916. SHRI HARADHAN ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Asansol-Damodar section of South-Eastern Railway requires doubling of the track;

(b) if so, whether the Government have prepared any plan to that effect; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c). Do not arise.

### **Bridge on Asansol-Damodar Section**

2917. SHRI HARADHAN ROY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the overhead bridge on Asansol-Damodar Section of South Eastern Railway constituting a section of G.T. Road needs immediate improvement and widening;

(b) if so, whether the Government have evolved any plan in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAL-LIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Proposal for construction of a new 2 lane road-overbridge with footpaths, in re-

placement of the existing road-overbridge on G.T. Road at Asansol, is at present in an advanced stage of planning jointly with the State Government. The work will be included in the Railways' Works Programme, only after the State Government accepts the detailed estimate for the work and consents to share the cost, as per rules.

(c) Does not arise.

### **Coal Supply to Power Project and number of Coal Washeries**

2918. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VERMA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the present stock of non-coking coal with the Coal India Ltd. and the Singareni Collieries with corresponding figure for the last year;

(b) the demand for coal in the power sector during the last 12 months and the quantities actually supplied;

(c) whether the ash content in the coal supplied to the power sector is on the increase;

(d) if so, the average ash content in the coal; and

(e) the number of existing coal washeries in the country and the details of plan to set up new washeries during the next five years?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) The information is given below:

*(million tonnes)*

<i>Company</i>	<i>Stock of non-coking coal as on</i>	
	<i>31-3-90</i>	<i>31-3-91</i>
CIL	25.21	26.67
SCCL	0.58	0.73
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25.79</b>	<b>27.40</b>

(b) During 1990-91, 118.79 million tonnes of coal/washery middlings has been despatched to power sector against its demand of 131 million tonnes of coal/washery middlings.

(c) With the increase in production of inferior grades of coal, which are suitable for power generation, the ash content of overall production mix increases because of higher ash content of our coal deposits.

(d) The ash content of coal supplied to power sector ranges between 30-45%.

(e) The number of existing coal washeries in the country are 19. Presently 3 washeries are under construction namely Madhuband (Bharat Coking Coal Limited), Kedla (Central Coalfields Limited) and Pipewar (Central Coalfields Limited). In addition 4 new washeries are expected to be taken up during next 5 years. These washeries are proposed to be located at Pootki (Bharat Coking Coal Limited), Parej (Central Coalfields Limited), Kalinga (South Eastern Coalfields-Limited) and Gopal Parsad (South Eastern Coalfields Limited).

#### **Accommodation at Concessional Rates to Government Employees**

2919. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposed

to provide accommodation at concessional rates in the India Tourism Development Corporation and Other Government-run-hotels, tourist lodges and railway retiring rooms to the Government employees while availing the leave travel concession facility; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) ITDC has introduced a package for Government and Public Sector employees availing Leave Travel Concession. Railways has no scheme to provide accommodation at concessional rates to the employees of Government and Public Sector, availing Leave Travel Concession.

(b) The ITDC package provides accommodation at a nominal tariff of Rs. 260/- per couple per night (excluding taxes) including two accompanying children upto 12 years of age. This facility is available at hotels of ITDC located at seventeen places. The maximum period of stay at any one hotel is up to five nights. A letter from the concerned Department or Public Sector is required at the time of booking the accommodation.

#### **Share of Rajasthan in Different Power Projects**

2920. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state: